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To: All Members of the Full Council

Dear Member,

Full Council - Monday, 2nd March, 2026

I attach a copy of the following reports for the above-mentioned meeting which were not available at the time of collation of the agenda:

**8. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (PAGES 1 - 12)**

To receive an update Political Composition and Appointments to Committees 2025/2026

**10. TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (PAGES 13 - 20)**

**14. 2026/27 BUDGET AND 2026/2031 MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY REPORT (PAGES 21 - 24)**

Please note that Annex 6 – MHCLG Exceptional Financial Support Letter

Yours sincerely

Ayshe Simsek, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager

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**Report for:** Full Council 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2026

**Title:** **Political Composition and Appointments to Committees 2025/2026**

**Authorised by:** Fiona Alderman, Director for Legal and Governance & Monitoring Officer

**Lead Officer:** Ayshe Simsek Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager  
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**Ward(s) affected:** All

**Report for Key/  
Non-Key Decision:** Non-Key Decision

### **1. Describe the issue under consideration.**

- 1.1 Council is asked to note the change in the political balance of the Council following the notification of the resignation of Councillor Worrell from the Labour Group and resignation of Mike Hakata from the Council.
- 1.2 The Council is asked to note the ordinary Committees membership and composition as a result of the above and consider the reasoning set out at section 4 of this report.

### **2. Cabinet Member Introduction**

N/A

### **3. Recommendations**

- 3.1 Council is asked to:
1. Note the changes to the political balance of the Council set out at paragraph 4.3.
  2. To note the information at paragraphs 4.5 to 4.11
  3. To note that Cllr Ibrahim Ali was appointed Cabinet Member For Climate Action and Environment, in accordance with the Council's Constitution, Part two Articles, paragraph 7.04, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January 2026.

### **4. Background information**

- 4.1 To note that Councillor Alexandra Worrell notified the: Monitoring Officer, Democratic Services Manager and Chief Executive in writing on the 5<sup>th</sup> of December that she no longer wished to be treated as a Member of the Labour Group and wished to be treated as an independent Member of the Council; this was in accordance with Local Government ( Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 –reg. 10(b).

4.2 On the 13<sup>th</sup> of January 2026, In accordance with Section 84(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, Cllr Mike Hakata notified the: Monitoring Officer, Democratic Services Manager and Chief Executive of his resignation from the Council as an elected member.

4.3 The political balance of the Council of 57 councillors is as follows:

Labour	43 councillors (75.45%)
Liberal Democrats	7 councillors (12.28%)
Green Socialist Alliance.	4 Councillor (7.02%)
Independent	1 Councillor (1.75%)
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Vacancy	1 Councillor (1.75%)

4.4 The Council is required to ensure that appointments to which the statutory political balance rules apply are made in accordance with those rules. The relevant rules are summarised below (see paragraph 4.5). The Annual Meeting of the Council appoints Committees of the Council in accordance with Article 4.02(k) of the Constitution. The Council is required to comply with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 in terms of political balance when appointing 'ordinary' Committees – that is, Committees appointed under section 102(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972.

4.5 These rules provide that seats on 'ordinary' Committees must be allocated in line with the following principles, so far as reasonably practicable:

- (a) that not all the seats on a body are allocated to the same political Group.
- (b) that the majority of the seats on the body are allocated to the political Group which has the majority of the Council's membership.
- (c) that, subject to principles (a) and (b) above, the proportion of seats allocated to each political Group out of the total number of seats across all the ordinary Committees of the Council shall be in the same proportion as their share of membership of the Council as a whole; and
- (d) that, subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, the number of seats on each individual body shall be allocated to each political Group in the same proportion as their share of membership of the Council as a whole.

4.6 The number of seats currently available on Ordinary Committees is 61.

Alexandra Park and Palace Board -	6 seats
Audit Committee	7 seats
General Purposes Committee	5 seats
Licensing Committee	11 seats

Pensions Committee and Board	6 seats
Strategic Planning Committee	11 seats
Standards Committee	5 seats
Appointments Panel	5 seats
Disciplinary, Grievance and Dismissal Panel	5 seats
<b>Total</b>	<b>61 seats</b>

- 4.7 As set out on the 21 July 2025 Council Report on proportionality, seats were allocated as follows to closely meet the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 principles (a), (b), and (c) **-(48 seats to Labour, 9 to Liberal Democrat and 4 to Green Socialist Alliance)** This was calculated as follows Labour Group 48 seats  $48/61 \times 100 = 78.69\%$ , the Liberal Democrat Group with 9 seats  $(9/61 \times 100 = 14.75\%)$  and providing the Green Socialist Alliance with 4 seats  $(4/61 \times 100 = 6.56\%)$ .
- 4.8 Although there is no legal requirement to allocate single members a seat as they do not constitute a "political Group", given the close proximity to the pre – election period which will commence on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, there is no change to membership of ordinary committees proposed. This will mean that the Labour group have 46 seats  $(46/61 \times 100 = 75.41\%)$  which is a 0.04% less than their political composition but this still closely meets the requirements of principles (a) to (d). To note that providing an additional seat to the Liberal Democrat group would provide them with a 4.11% higher percentage allocation  $(16.39 - 12.28)$  and to provide the Green Socialist Alliance group with an additional seat would mean a higher 1.18% higher allocation  $(8.20 - 7.02)$  This would not closely meet Local Government and Housing Act 1989 principles (c) and (d). Therefore, the proposal for committee memberships to remain unchanged more closely meets the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, principles a to d.

Ordinary Committee	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Green Socialist Alliance	Independent single Member Cllr Worrell	Total number of seats
Alexandra Park and Palace Board	5	1	0		6
Audit Committee	4	1	1	1	7
General Purposes Committee	3	1	1		5
Licensing Committee	9	1	1		11

Pensions Committee and Board	5	1	0		6
Strategic Planning Committee	8	1	1	1	11
Standards Committee	4	1	0		5
Appointments Panel	4	1	0		5
Disciplinary, Grievance and Dismissal Panel	4	1	0		5
	46	9	4	2	61

4.9 Following the resignation of Mike Hakata from the Council, the Leader of the Council appointed Cllr Ibrahim Ali, the current Chair of Standards Committee, to the Cabinet. This was in accordance with the Council's Constitution, Part 2 Articles, paragraph 7.04.

4.10 The Leader of the Labour Group and Chief Whip have notified that there will be no change in the allocation of chair and membership of the Standards Committee. Account has been given to the number of Committee meetings left in the municipal year, and legal advice sought on any conflict with the Chair of Standards taking forward both a Cabinet Member role and Chair of an Ordinary Committee until the Annual Meeting in May 2026. Guidance in the early 2000's indicated that executive members could not chair these meetings. In response it was noted that the need to establish a Standards Committee was abolished by the Localism Act 2011. Councils now simply need to have 'arrangements' for dealing with allegations of breach of the code of conduct. The LGA guidance on handling complaints confirms that Standards committees are ordinary committees of council, and therefore subject to political proportionality requirements (unless waived by Full Council). There are no statutory restrictions on membership or chairing, unlike with scrutiny committees under executive arrangements.

4.11 In calculating the allocation of seats on ordinary Committees, the following bodies were excluded because these bodies are excluded from the statutory rules on political balance:

- The Cabinet.
- The disciplinary pool.
- Licensing Sub- Committees (Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Committee).
- The Health and Wellbeing Board.
- Overview and Scrutiny Committee

## **The Cabinet**

4.12 The Cabinet is appointed by the Leader and may only comprise councillors from the majority party. It must have between 2 and 9 members in addition to the Leader.

**Licensing Sub- Committees (Licensing Act 2003 and Gambling Committee).**

4.13 The Licensing Committee establishes the Licensing Sub- Committee of 3 members which will be appointed from a pool of members from the Licensing Committee. The Sub- Committee conducts the same type of business which includes the Gambling Act 2005 applications. The political balance rules do not apply to the Licensing Sub- Committees because they are appointed under the Licensing Act 2003 and so are not ordinary Committees appointed under section 102 of the Local Government Act 1972. However, it is normal practice to establish the Licensing Sub- Committee in accordance with political balance (that is, two Labour and one Liberal Democrat Member) so far as reasonably practicable.

**The Health and Wellbeing Board**

4.14 The political balance rules are disapplied by the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 (SI 2013/218). Membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board is prescribed at section 194 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

**Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

4.15 Principles (a), (b) and (d) of the rules apply to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee by virtue of section 9FA(6)(b) of the Local Government Act 2000. However, because the Committee is established under the Local Government Act 2000, it is not an ordinary Committee appointed under section 102 of the Local Government Act 1972 and so it is not included in the political balance calculations for the total number of seats on ordinary Committees (principle c). As such, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee must be balanced, but on an individual basis.

4.16 Changes to appointments can be made at any stage during the municipal Year with the changes being reported to the Council as appropriate.

**5. Statutory Officers' comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities) Finance**

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from the report.

**Director of Legal and Governance & Monitoring Officer**

5.2 The report sets out those Council bodies to which the political balance rules apply. The 1989 Act requires political balance in the distribution of seats on Committees to be undertaken "so far as is reasonably practicable" thus recognising that a mathematically precise split between political parties cannot always be achieved.

- 5.3 In section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, principle (b) states that a party with a majority on full Council shall have a majority of seats on each individual body. This principle takes precedence over principles (c) and (d) which require political Groups to be represented on the ordinary Committees taken as a whole and on the bodies individually in proportion to their representation on Full Council.
- 5.4 Principle (c) concerning proportionate allocation of seats across all the ordinary Committees of the council takes precedence over the principle (d) concerning proportionate allocation on any individual body.
- 5.5 There is no requirement to offer a seat to a single member as they do not constitute a "political Group" under the definition in the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 (S.I. 1553) Regulation 8. However, further to consultation with the majority group the seat allocation is unchanged.

## **6. Use of Appendices**

### **Appendix 1 - Appointments to Committees 2025/26**

## **7. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

- 7.1 Background documents:
  - *Appointments to Cttees 2025-26*
  - *Haringey Council's Constitution*
- 7.2 The background papers are located at George Meehan House 294 High Road Wood Green, London N22 8HQ.
- 7.3 To inspect them or to discuss this report further, please contact Ayshe Simsek on 0208 489 2929.

COMMITTEE & MEMBERSHIP	NO. OF MEMBERS	SUBORDINATE BODIES
<p><b>Alexandra Palace &amp; Park Board</b>  Cllr Ibrahim(Chair)  Cllr O'Donovan( Vice Chair)  Cllr Stennett  Cllr Elliott  Cllr Buxton</p> <p>Cllr da Costa</p>	<p><b>6 Members</b></p> <p>Proportional split:  5 Lab  1 Lib Dem</p> <p>Plus:  2 non-voting Members from Consultative Committee.</p> <p>1 Observer (Chair of the APP Statutory Advisory Cttee)</p> <p><i>Members of the Cabinet may not sit on the Board in accordance with the advice of the Charity Commission.</i></p>	<p><b>Alexandra Palace Consultative Committee</b></p> <p>Same membership as appointed to the Board sits as members of Consultative Committee</p> <p>Plus up to 30 outside Representatives</p> <p>Chair appointed by Consultative Committee at first meeting</p> <hr/> <p><b>Alexandra Palace &amp; Park Panel</b>  3 Members of the Panel, proportional split:  2 Lab  1 Lib Dem</p> <hr/> <p><b>Alexandra Palace &amp; Park Consultative Forum</b></p> <p>4 Members of the Forum, proportional split:  3 Lab  1 Lib Dem</p> <p>Plus 4 Trade Union Representatives</p>
<p><b>Audit Committee</b>  Cllr Dogan(Chair)  Cllr Brennan (VC)  Cllr Jameson  Cllr Diakides  Cllr Worrell</p> <p>Cllr Rossetti  Cllr Mason</p>	<p><b>7 Members</b></p> <p>Proportional split:  4 Lab  1 Lib Dem  1 Green Socialist Alliance  1 independent</p>	
<p><b>Health &amp; Well Being Board</b></p> <p>Cabinet Member for Climate Action, Environment (Nominated by the Leader)  Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care and Wellbeing (Chair)</p>	<p><u>Non-voting reps:</u></p> <p>LB Haringey:  Director of Adult &amp; Health Service  Director of Children's Services  Director of Public Health</p> <p>Haringey Clinical Commissioning Group:  Vice Chair  Chief Officer</p>	

<b>COMMITTEE &amp; MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>NO. OF MEMBERS</b>	<b>SUBORDINATE BODIES</b>
<p>Cabinet Member for Children, Schools &amp; Families (nominated by Leader of the Council)</p> <p>North Central London Clinical Lead</p> <p>Chair, Healthwatch Haringey</p>	<p>Voluntary Sector Rep: Bridge Renewal Trust Chief Executive</p> <p>Haringey Local Safeguarding Children Board Chair</p> <p>N.B. Any additional persons appointed to the HWB either by the local authority or the HWB will be on a non-voting basis.</p>	
<p><b>Licensing Committee</b></p> <p>Cllr Abela(Chair) Cllr Peacock(VC) Cllr Amin Cllr Bartlett Cllr Gunes Cllr Harrison-Mullane Cllr Rice Cllr Small Cllr Weston</p> <p>Cllr da Costa Cllr M Blake</p>	<p><b>11 Members</b></p> <p><b>Proportional split</b></p> <p><b>9 Lab</b></p> <p>1 Lib Dem</p> <p>1 Green Socialist Alliance</p> <p><u>N.B. The Membership of the Licensing Sub-Committee may comprise any three members of the Licensing Committee</u></p>	<p><b>Licensing Sub Committee</b></p> <p><b>3 Members, proportional split:</b></p> <p><b>2 Lab</b></p> <p><b>1 Lib Dem</b></p>
<p><b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b></p> <p>Cllr White(Chair) Cllr Connor (Vice Chair) Cllr Small Cllr Lawton Cllr Gunes</p>	<p><b>5 Members</b></p> <p>Proportional split: 4 Lab 1 Lib Dem.</p> <p>Plus co-opted Education representatives.</p>	<p><b>Scrutiny Review Panels</b></p> <p>The Chair of each of the Scrutiny Review Panels shall be a member of the OSC, to be determined by the OSC at their first meeting.</p> <p><i>The Mayor or Members of the Cabinet may not be Members</i></p> <p>The composition of each Scrutiny Review Panel shall be between 3 and 7 members, and be politically proportionate as far as possible (including the Chair).</p> <p>If there is a Children and Young People's Scrutiny Review Panel, the membership shall include the statutory education representatives of OSC. The education representatives would also attend the</p>

COMMITTEE & MEMBERSHIP	NO. OF MEMBERS	SUBORDINATE BODIES
		Overview and Scrutiny Committee meetings where reports from a relevant Scrutiny Review Panel are considered.
<p><b>Combined Pensions Committee and Board</b>  Cllr Dunstall(Chair)  Cllr Bevan(VC)  Cllr White  Cllr Lawton  Cllr Iyngkaran    Cllr da Costa</p>	<p><b>6 Members and 4 voting co-opted members</b></p> <p>Proportional split:  5 Lab  1 Lib Dem.</p> <p><u>Co-optees:</u>  2 employer representatives, being 1 from LB Haringey and 1 from other scheduled and admitted employers</p> <p>2 scheme member representatives, being 1 active and 1 pensioner &amp; deferred members</p>	
<p><b>Strategic Planning Committee</b>  Cllr B Blake (Chair)  Cllr Bevan(VC)  Cllr Bartlett  Cllr Amin  Cllr Brennan  Cllr Rice  Cllr O'Donovan  Cllr Ibrahim  Cllr Worrell    Cllr Emery  Cllr Collett</p>	<p><b>11 Members</b>  Proportional split:  8 Lab  1 Lib Dem  1 Green Socialist Alliance  1 Independent</p> <p><i>N.B. The Membership of the Planning Sub-Committee will be the same as the Strategic Planning Committee and will be appointed at its first meeting after Annual Council.</i></p>	<p><b>Planning Sub-Committee</b>  11 Members, proportional split:  9 Lab  1 Lib Dem  1 Green Socialist Alliance</p>
<p><b>Standards Committee</b>  Cllr Ali (Chair)  Cllr B Blake  Cllr Dogan</p>	<p><b>5 Members</b></p> <p>Proportional split:</p>	<p><b>Standards Assessment Sub-Committee</b></p> <p><b>Standards Hearing Sub-Committee</b></p>

COMMITTEE & MEMBERSHIP	NO. OF MEMBERS	SUBORDINATE BODIES
Cllr Simmons- Safo  Cllr Emery	4 Lab 1 Lib Dem	
<p><b>General Purposes Committee</b></p> <p>Cllr Johnson(Chair) Cllr Carroll(VC) Cllr Ali</p> <p>Cllr Barnes Cllr Paton</p> <p><i>In accordance with Section 12 of the Local Government Act 1989, the Council's interests should not be represented in negotiations on council employees' terms and conditions by Members who are Local Authority employees or Trade Union employees or officials either directly or indirectly</i></p>	<p><b>5 Members</b></p> <p>Proportional split: 3 Lab 1 Lib Dem 1 Green Socialist Alliance</p>	<p><b>Officers below Director level Dismissal Appeals Panels</b></p> <p>3 Members from the pool</p> <p>2 Lab &amp; 1 LD</p> <p>All Councillors will be eligible to sit on these Panels, subject to having undertaken the necessary training</p> <p><b>Pool of Chairs (Labour)</b></p> <p>Cllr Amin Cllr Adamou Cllr Brabazon Cllr Rice Cllr Peacock Cllr Weston Cllr Small Cllr Dunstall Cllr Jameson Cllr Johnson</p> <p><b>Labour Group</b></p> <p>Cllr Bevan Cllr Opoku Cllr Stennett</p> <p>Cllr Dogan Cllr Carroll</p> <p><b>Lib Dem Group</b></p> <p>Cllr da Costa Cllr Connor</p>
<b>Appointments Panel</b>	<b>5 Members</b>	

<b>COMMITTEE &amp; MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>NO. OF MEMBERS</b>	<b>SUBORDINATE BODIES</b>
Cllr Ahmet(Chair) Cllr Johnson (Vice Chair) Cllr Carroll Cllr Carlin Cllr Isilar - Gosling	Proportional split: 4 Lab 1 Lib Dem	Cabinet Members will substitute on this panel in accordance with their portfolio area.  CWG and Standards Committee agreed that Chair is the Leader of the Council and Vice chair is the Chair of General Purposes Committee
<b>Disciplinary, Grievance and Dismissal Panel</b>  <b>Cllr Ahmet(Chair)</b> <b>Cllr Johnson (Vice Chair)</b> <b>Cllr Carroll</b> <b>Cllr Carlin</b> <b>Cllr Barnes</b>	<b>5 Members</b>  Proportional split: 4 Lab 1 Lib Dem	CWG and Standards Committee agreed that Chair is the Leader of the Council and Vice chair is the Chair of General Purposes Committee

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**Report for:** Full Council – 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2026

**Title:** **Update on Appointments to Outside Bodies 2025/2026**

**Authorised by :** Fiona Alderman, Director for Legal and Governance Services & Monitoring Officer

**Lead Officer:** Ayshe Simsek, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager  
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**Ward(s) affected:** All

**Report for Key/  
Non Key Decision:** Non Key Decisions

### **1. Describe the issue under consideration**

- 1.1 To advise the Council of nominations of Council representatives to fill current vacancies on outside bodies, following the appointment of Councillor Ibrahim Ali to the Cabinet and to seek approval for the statutory body appointments.

### **2. Cabinet Member Introduction**

- 2.1 N/A

### **3. Recommendations**

- 3.1 To note that the appointments to the Partnership and Association bodies which mainly exercise 'executive' functions set out at Appendix 1 and in accordance with article 10.8b(i) are completed by the Leader of the Council and these are set out in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 To approve the appointment of Cllr Ibrahim Ali to the North London Waste Association and Lea Valley Regional Park Authority, which are both statutory bodies in accordance with Part 2 of the Constitution, Article 4, paragraph 4.02(o).
- 3.3 To note the vacancies on the bodies indicated in attached appendix 1 will be updated at the Annual Meeting in May 2026.

### **4. Background information**

- 4.1 Part 2 of the Constitution, Article 4, paragraph 4.02(o) indicates that full Council will appoint representatives to outside bodies unless the appointment is a Cabinet function or has been delegated by the Council.

- 4.2 Article 10.08 of the Constitution advises that the Council has nomination rights to a large number of different external bodies, referred to as 'organisations'. The practice of making nominations to organisations is a benefit to the Council and the links created contribute to the social well-being of the borough.
- 4.3 These organisations can be categorised as follows:
- A. Association bodies, such as the Local Government Association or Association of London Government joint committees and panels.
  - B. Community or voluntary bodies which cover a very wide spectrum of organisations serving the community , or community groups, in various ways.
  - C. Partnership bodies which will usually involve the Council working with other agencies on local issues or projects.
  - D. Statutory bodies, where the Borough of Haringey needs to be represented by law.
  - E. Trusts and Foundations which generally have more specific and prescribed objectives.
- 4.4 As set out in Article 10.08(b) the nominations to all outside bodies are made and confirmed at each Annual General Meeting. Where there is an association or partnership body exercising executive functions, then nominations of the Cabinet Member will be made by the Leader of the Council, or the Cabinet with the Leader's agreement and recorded in the list approved at the AGM.
- 4.5 The attached appendices provide information on the capacity in which members have been nominated, the duration of the appointment and any other relevant terms and conditions. These will be recorded in the minutes and nominations will be stated as being made "at the request of the Council".
- 4.6 The Constitution continues to advise that future nominations to voluntary or community bodies will generally be in a non – voting, "observer" capacity only, in order to avoid the greater potential for conflicts of interest. Nominated members will not participate in management or decision – making within the organisation. Their role will be to assist in the exchange of information and views between the organisation and the Council .
- 4.7 Nominations to other organisations will generally be in a full voting capacity, that is, the member should participate fully in management and decision making within the organisation.
- 4.8 Appointments to outside bodies are not covered by the political balance rules. Appointments to outside bodies are discretionary and should be made with

regard to the suitability of the appointee for the role, taking into account the nature of the body concerned.

- 4.9 Officers will advise members on the type of representation required for different bodies. Where bodies have multiple representation and where the appointee(s) is not prescriptive (i.e. must be a Cabinet member) it is for majority group to determine whether they wish to offer some places to the opposition.
- 4.10 There was a review of Outside Bodies which encompassed contact being made with listed organisations in the 2024 report to find out: if some bodies were still operating, if they still required Council nominations, meeting frequency, terms of references, voting capacity of members on these bodies and the number of nominations required. This exercise helped to ensure Democratic services had the most up to date contact details for the organisations and able to provide up to date information to members. The attached appendix 1 reflects the most up to date information received.

## **5. Use of Appendices**

- 5.1 Appendix 1 – The member appointments to outside bodies 2025-26

## **6. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

- 6.1 Background documents:
- Appointments to outside bodies 2025/26
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Type	Outside Body Councillor Representative	Party	Special Responsibilities	Appointment expiry date
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<b>Association</b>	<b>Local Government Association, General Assembly Executive</b>		4 members from Leader, D. Leader, Ch. Whip, Group Sec. & Deputies		
	Leader – Cllr Ahmet	Lab		May 2026	
	Dep Leader – Cllr Williams	Lab			
	Ch Whip- Cllr Weston	Lab	Deputy		
	Group Sec- Cllr Ali	Lab	Deputy		
	<b>London Councils Grants Committee Executive</b>		One voting member and up to 4 deputies.		
	Cllr Ahmet	Lab		May 2026	
	Cllr das Neves	Lab	Deputy		
	Cllr Rice	Lab	Deputy		
	<b>London Councils Greater London Employment Forum – Executive</b>		Cabinet Member responsible for Human Resources and one Deputy		
	Cllr Carlin	Lab		May 2026	
	Cllr Johnson - General Purposes Chair	Lab	Deputy		
	<b>London Councils Leaders Committee Executive</b>		One voting member (Leader) and up to 2 Cabinet Members		
	Cllr Ahmet	Lab		May 2026	
	Cllr Williams	Lab	Deputy		
	Cllr Brabazon	Lab	Deputy		
	<b>London Councils Transport and Environment Committee Executive</b>		Cabinet Member for Transport/Environment & up to 4 deputies		
	Cllr Hakata- Cllr Ali	Lab		May 2026	
	Cllr Gordon	Lab	Deputy		
	Leader appointment	Lab	Deputy		
	Cllr Williams	Lab	Deputy		
	<b>London Road Safety Council, The Management Committee – Executive</b>				
	Cllr Emery	Lib Dem		24/5/2026	
	Cllr Hakata- Cllr Ali	Lab			
	<b>Newable (formerly GLEC) - Executive</b>		Cabinet Member Resources & 1 other		
	Cllr Carlin	Lab		May 2026	
	Cllr Moyeed	Lab			
	<b>Centre London Forward Executive</b>		One voting member (Leader) and deputy (Regeneration)		
	Cllr Ahmet	Lab		May 2026	
	Cllr Gordon	Lab	Deputy		

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<b>Community</b>				
		<b>Consultative Committee, Highgate Wood</b>		One Councillor for Highgate Ward and one Councillor for Muswell Hill Ward
		Cllr Connor	Lib/Dem	May 2026
		Cllr Emery	Lib/Dem	
		<b>Jacksons Lane, The Board of Trustees</b>		Two reps attend each meeting one from each party
		Cllr Isilar - Gosling	Lib/Dem	May 2026
		Cllr Buxton	Lab	
		Cllr Culverwell	Lab	May 2026
		Cllr Brennan	Lab	
		<b>Markfield Project, The Management Committee</b>		
		Cllr B. Blake	Lab	May 2026
		Cllr O'Donovan	Lab	
		<b>RFCA for London</b>		
		Cllr Peacock	Lab	May 2026
		<b>Triangle Advisory Board (TAB)</b>		
		Cllr Grosskopf	Lab	May 2026
	Cllr Barbara Blake	Lab	May 2026	
	<b>The Muswell Hill Youth Centre</b>			
	Cllr Brennan	Lab	May 2026	
	Cllr Culverwell	Lab	May 2026	
	Cllr Isilar - Gosling	Lib/Dem	May 2026	
<b>Partnership</b>				
		<b>Seven Sisters Marker Partnership Advisory Group (SSMPAG)</b>	Cabinet member responsible for Placemaking	
		Cllr Ruth Gordon	Lab	May 2027
		<b>Safer Neighbourhood Board Haringey</b>		1 Labour and 1 Liberal Democrat rep
		Cllr da Costa	Lib/Dem	24/5/2026
		Cllr Rice	Lab	
	<b>Tottenham Green Enterprise Centre Board with CONEL</b>			
	Cllr Gordon	Lab	May 2026	

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<b>Statutory</b>	<b>Alexandra Park and Palace, Advisory Committee</b>		6 of the 8 Councillors to represent Alexandra Park, Bounds Green, Fortis Green, Hornsey, Muswell Hill and Noel Park wards.	
	Cllr Elliott	Lab		May 2026
	Cllr Ibrahim	Lab		
	Cllr Rossetti	Lib/Dem		
	Cllr Culverwell	Lab		
	Cllr Arkell	Lab		
	Cllr Weston	Lab		
	Cllr M Blake	Lab		
	Cllr Brennan	Lab		
	<b>Haringey Council, Haringey Schools Forum</b>		Non-Cabinet Member appointment	
	Cllr Ali-Vacancy	Lab		May 2026
	<b>Lea Valley Regional Park Authority, The Authority</b>		1 rep and 1 deputy – Expiry appointment from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2029	
	Cllr Bevan	Lab		From 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2029
	Cllr Hakata – Deputy Cllr Ali - Deputy	Lab		
	<b>London CIV</b>		Chair of Pensions Committee	
	Cllr Dunstall	Lab		May 2026
	<b>North London Waste Authority</b>		Cabinet Member for Environment & 1 for Finance	
	Cllr Hakata – Cllr Ali	Lab		May 2026
	Cllr Carlin	Lab		
	<b>Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education, The Conference</b>			
Cllr Lawton	Lab		May 2026	
Cllr Gunes	Lab			
Cllr Brennan	Lab			
Cllr Rossetti	Lib/Dem			
Cllr Ali	Lab			
<b>Trust</b>	<b>Bridge Renewal Trust</b>			
	Cllr Mason	GSA		May 2026
	<b>Finsbury Park Trust</b>			
	Cllr Worrell	Independent		May 2026
	Cllr Culverwell (Deputy)	Lab		
	<b>Greig Trusts (The)</b>		3-year Appointment	
	Eddie Griffith	Lab		May 2028
	<b>Selby Trust – Board of Trustees</b>			
	Cllr das Neves	Lab		May 2026
Cllr Ali	Lab			

Type	Outside Body Councillor Representative	Party	Special Responsibilities	Appointment expiry date
	Cllr Stennett	Lab		
<b>Trust</b>	<b>Tottenham District Charity, The Management Committee</b>		4-year appointment – 7 Reps they don't need to be Cllrs	
	Cllr Ali	Lab		21/05/2026
	Cllr Amin	Lab		30/05/2026
	Bibi Khan	Lab		30/05/2026
	Cllr Mahbub	Lab		21/05/2026
	Cllr Peacock	Lab		30/05/2026
	Lorna Reith	Lab		21/05/2026
	Cllr Rice	Lab		21/05/2026
	<b>Tottenham Grammar School Foundation, The Trustees</b>			
	Cllr B Blake	Lab		21/05/2026
	Cllr Grosskopf	Lab		
	<b>Wood Green Urban District Charity, The Management Committee</b>		5-year appointment – 5 Reps they don't need to be Cllrs	
	Cllr Cawley - Harrison	Lib/Dem		20/05/2026
	Julie Ann Gregory	Lab		15/05/2026
Cherry McAskill	Lab		20/05/2026	
Cllr Moyeed	Lab		20/05/2026	
Peter Mitchell	Lab		20/05/2026	

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Councillor Peray Ahmet  
Leader of the London Borough of Haringey  
*By email*

23 February 2026

Dear Councillor Ahmet,

I am writing in relation to the London Borough of Haringey's request of 14 December 2025 for Exceptional Financial Support in respect of the financial years 2025-26 and 2026-27.

The Exceptional Financial Support process exists to support councils facing unmanageable financial pressures. This government is making good on long overdue promises to fundamentally update the way we fund local authorities - delivering fairer funding by targeting money where it is needed most through the first multi-year Settlement in a decade. However, the government recognises the challenging financial context for councils and the possibility that some require additional support, as they continue to deal with the legacy of the previous system, and as part of the transition to new funding allocations.

The Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government has considered the council's position including all the measures that have been taken locally to support the continued delivery of sustainable services for residents. This letter sets out the department's current position but does not constitute a capitalisation direction.

With respect to the financial year 2026-27, the Secretary of State is minded to approve a capitalisation direction of a total not exceeding £84 million.

The Secretary of State is also minded to approve a revision to the previously agreed in-principle capitalisation direction of £37 million to £54 million for 2025-26.

The government will continue to take a collaborative approach to Exceptional Financial Support that recognises the challenges many local authorities are experiencing. However, we have been clear that any support provided should be a time-limited and temporary measure. My clear expectation is that councils should be taking all reasonable steps to manage financial pressures locally and deliver for their residents. All councils should have clear plans to deliver the service improvement and transformation required to help them to return to financial stability over the multi-year Settlement.

Therefore, in order for the department to provide a final capitalisation direction, the council is required to undergo an external assurance review which will include, but will

not be limited to, an assessment of the council's financial position and governance arrangements.

The department reserves the right to extend the scope of the review to consider any other relevant issue that is deemed necessary. The department may also make an exception to or vary this requirement where we determine that existing recent and independent scrutiny and analysis of the council provides the necessary assurance to government. The department will also consider what further engagement and assurances may be required in relation to ongoing progress at the council, and on delivering any plans for financial recovery and ongoing improvement.

We will work with councils on how best we can support them through these reviews, including how the reviews might help them to identify the action needed to recover and reform. My officials will confirm review scopes with you in due course.

It is my expectation that councils should aim to avoid or minimise the need for new borrowing to fund Exceptional Financial Support, and should look to make use of existing or future capital receipts wherever possible. Of course, in doing so councils should avoid sales that do not represent value for money and where possible the disposal of community heritage assets, to protect the public ownership of locally significant sites and ensure residents can continue to benefit from them.

Capitalisation directions may be subject to conditions, which would be set out in any directions should the Secretary of State decide to exercise his powers under sections 16(2)(b) and 20 of the Local Government Act 2003. If the Secretary of State decides to give any directions, he is minded to attach the following conditions:

- i. The Council may only capitalise expenditure that has been incurred and recognised under proper practices;
- ii. Where expenditure is capitalised, the authority shall charge annual MRP using the asset life method with a proxy 'asset life' of no more than 20 years.

If the Secretary of State gives any directions, he will confirm the final amount of capitalisation support and any conditions that will apply in due course. The approval of any capitalisation directions will also be contingent on the council reporting to the department the final amounts identified for which it requires capitalisation for each year.

The government is already taking national action to deliver reform in the high-cost service areas we know are putting the most pressure on council finances, for example through the new National Plan to End Homelessness, reforms to the SEND system and through the £2.4bn investment into Families First and the Independent Commission on Social Care led by Baroness Casey.

Given the support we have agreed to today, it is my clear expectation that your council are fully engaging with these reforms and have robust plans in place to take the action needed to deliver better and more efficient services, as part of your financial recovery.

We recognise that some councils face particular barriers that make it difficult for them to deliver service reforms, for example due to a lack of capacity or expertise. We will work with these authorities to identify and provide support where possible. Officials in my department will be in touch in due course to discuss how we intend to work with your council in more detail.

Thank you for your continued support and the support of your officers whilst we have considered your request for Exceptional Financial Support. Officials will continue to closely support you through the next steps of the process.

Yours ever,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alison', with a stylized, cursive script.

**ALISON MCGOVERN MP**

Minister of State for Local Government and Homelessness

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